ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An optical receiver comprises (a) an optical fiber, (b) a rear-illuminated type PD for receiving incoming light emerging from the optical fiber, (c) a submount supporting the PD, (d) a coaxial type package housing the submount, and (e) a preamplifier IC for amplifying electric signals from the PD. In particular, the submount is provided with a reflecting face for reflecting the incoming light so that the light can enter the PD. The submount may be provided with an optical path-forming groove having at least one reflecting face for introducing and reflecting the incoming light so that the light can enter the light-receiving portion of the PD mounted on the submount. This structure enables the production of an optical receiver most suitable for high-speed response and excellent in productivity. A method of producing the optical receiver is also offered.

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